

# Unitary Coupled-Channel Model for Heavy Meson Decays into Three Mesons

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E852@BNL, GlueX@JLab



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( $J^{PC}$ , mass, width, ...)

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Belle, BABAR, LHCb



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CKM CP-violating phase

# Experiment



- ✓ Raw data analysis (signal events selected)
  - Data (cross section, polarization observables...)
  
- ✓ Data analysis
  - e.g.,
    - 👉 Partial wave decomposition
    - 👉 Analytic continuation to unphysical region
    - 👉 Removing final state interaction effects

*Reliable **theoretical** analysis tool is essential !*

# Interesting physics

# Analysis of three-meson productions

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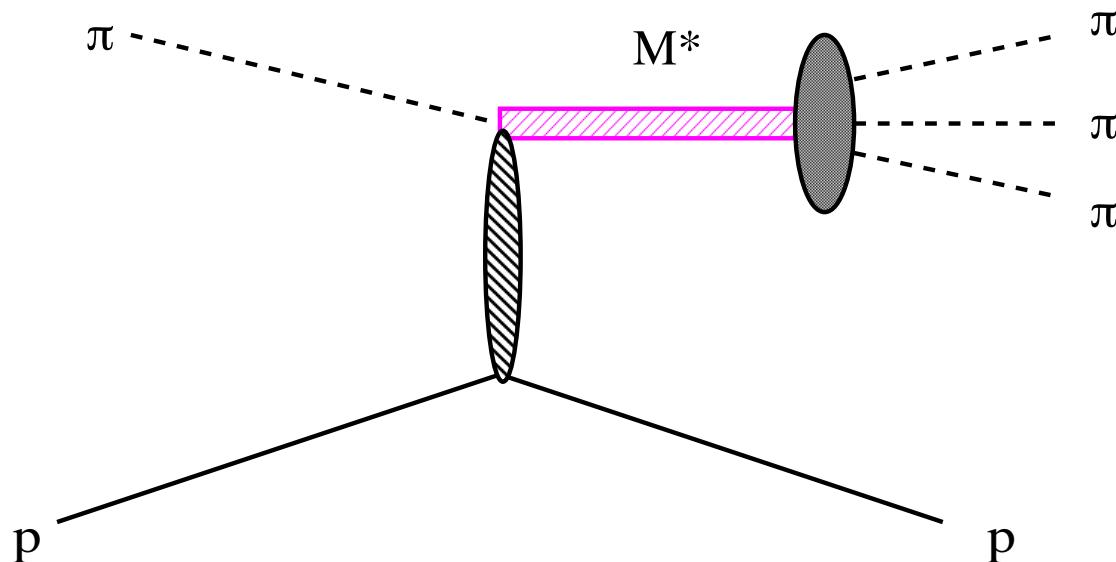
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**Analysis tool ?**

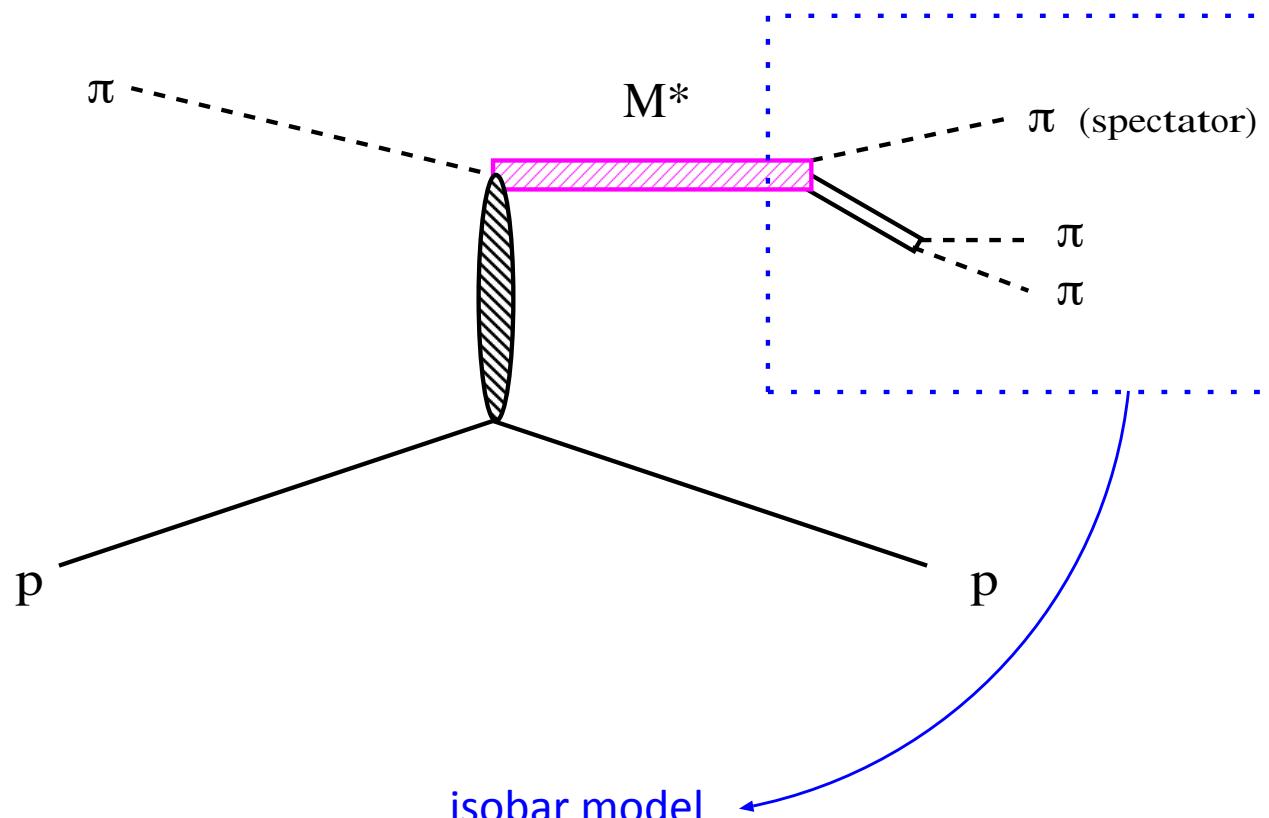
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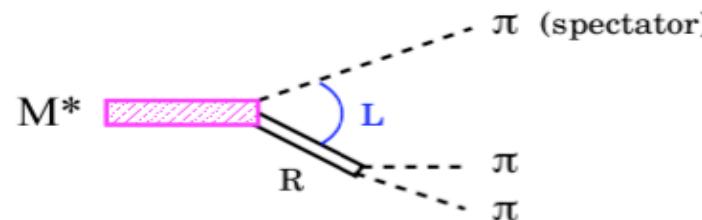
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- \*  $\pi\pi$  subsystem forms a resonance
- \* 3rd  $\pi$  is a spectator

## Isobar model for PWA

E852 (BNL) , Chung et al., PRD **65**, 072001 (2001)



- \*  $L = 0, 1, 2$
- \* For  $R = f_0(980), \rho(770), f_2(1270), \rho_3(1690)$

$$\implies \text{Breit-Wigner form} \quad A_R = \frac{F_{R \rightarrow \pi\pi}}{m_R^2 - m_{\pi\pi}^2 - i m_R \Gamma_R(m_{\pi\pi})}$$

- \* For  $R = \sigma$ 
  - $\implies \text{K-matrix model} \quad [\text{e.g., Au, Morgan, Pennington, PRD } \mathbf{35}, 1633 \text{ (1987)}]$

$$* A_{M^* \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi} = \sum_R a_R e^{i\phi_R} A_R + (\text{background})$$

$W$ -dependence of partial wave amplitude is fitted with Breit-Wigner  
→ mass & width of  $M^*$

# Question

Unitarity ?

Coupled-channels ?

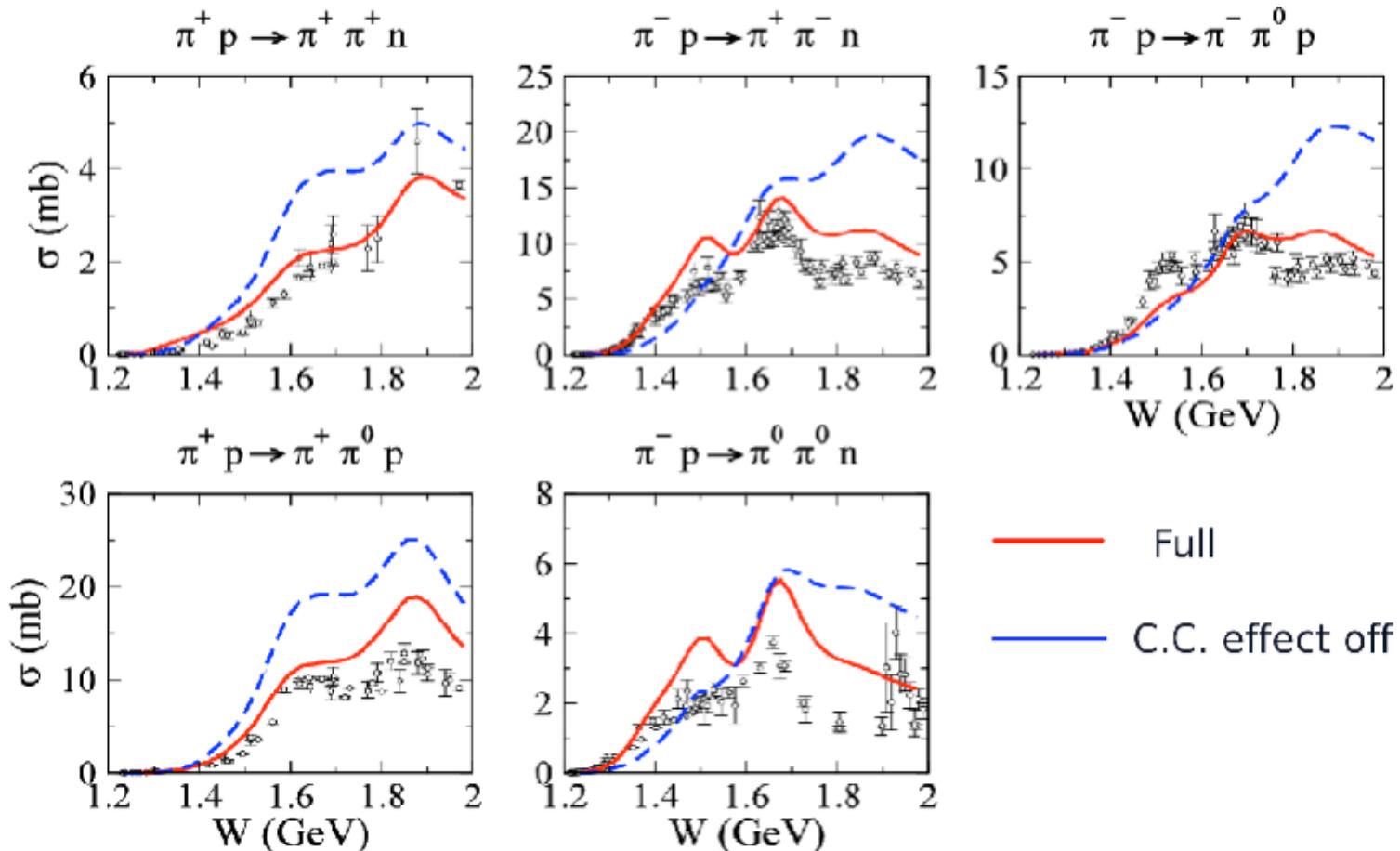
# Unitarity requires coupled-channels

$$T_{ab} - T_{ab}^* \propto \sum_c T_{ac} T_{bc}^*$$

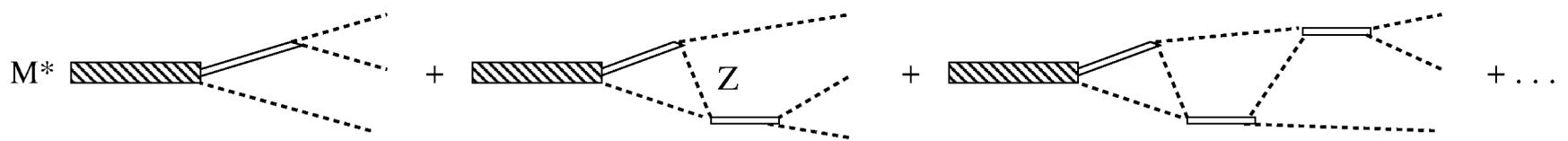
$$a, b, c = \pi\pi\pi, \pi K\bar{K}, f_0(980)\pi, \rho(770)\pi, \dots$$

## Coupled-channel effect

e.g.,  $\pi N \rightarrow \pi\pi N$  [ $\pi N, \eta N, \pi\Delta, \rho N, \sigma N$  coupled-channels]



# 3-body unitarity requires ... Z-diagrams



# Question to be addressed

How 3-body unitarity makes a difference in extracting hadron properties from data ?

## Method

1. Construct a unitary and an isobar models
2. Fit them to the same Dalitz plot
3. Extract and compare  $M^*$  properties from them  
(pole position, coupling strength to decay channels)

# Coupled-Channels Model

Matsuyama, Sato, Lee, Phys. Rept. **439**, 193 (2007)

Kamano, Nakamura, Sato, Lee, PRD **84** 114019 (2011)

$$\underline{M^* \rightarrow \pi R \rightarrow \pi\pi\pi}$$

Channels  $R$ :  $f_0(600), f_0(980), \rho(760), f_2(1270), \dots$

$R$ : resonance in  $\pi\pi$  scattering amplitude (not Breit-Wigner form)

- (I) Develop  $\pi\pi$  model
- (II) Develop  $\pi R$  interaction
- (III) Solve  $\pi R$  scattering equation

## Simple $\pi\pi$ model

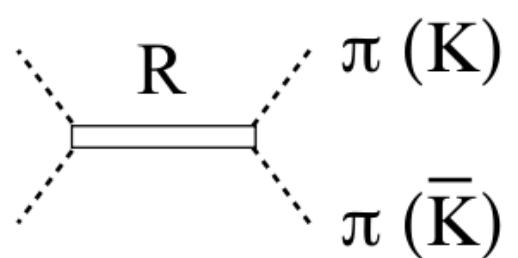
Coupled-channel scattering equation for  $\pi\pi$  partial wave ( $L, I$ )

$$t_{i,j}^{LI}(p', p; W) = V_{i,j}^{LI} + \sum_k \int_0^\infty q^2 dq V_{i,k}^{LI}(p', q; W) \frac{1}{W - E_k(q) + i\epsilon} t_{k,j}^{LI}(q, p; W)$$

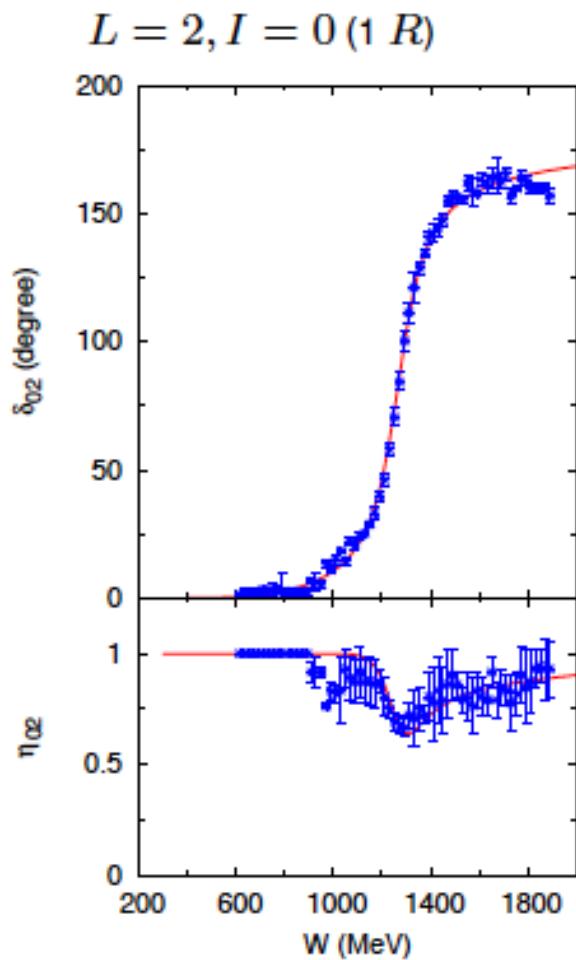
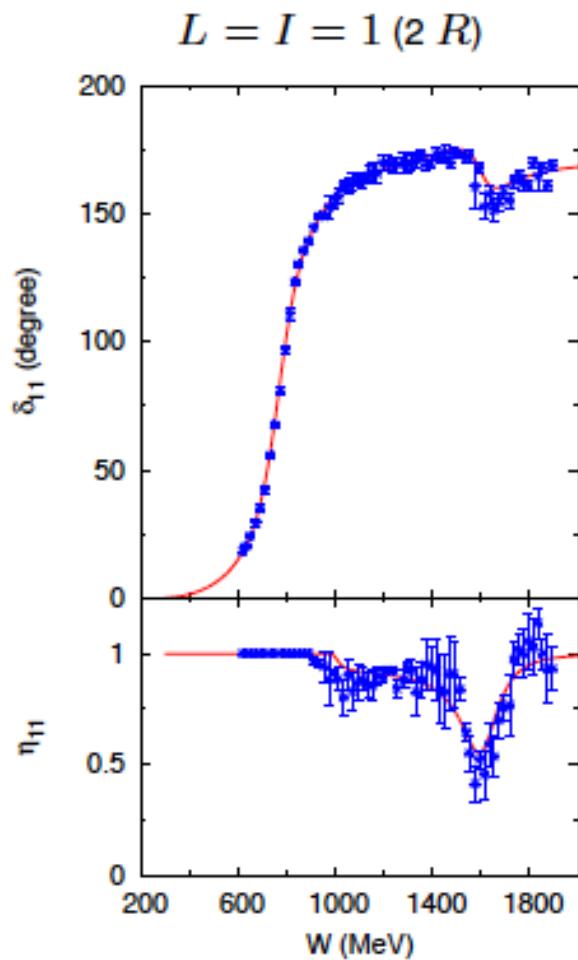
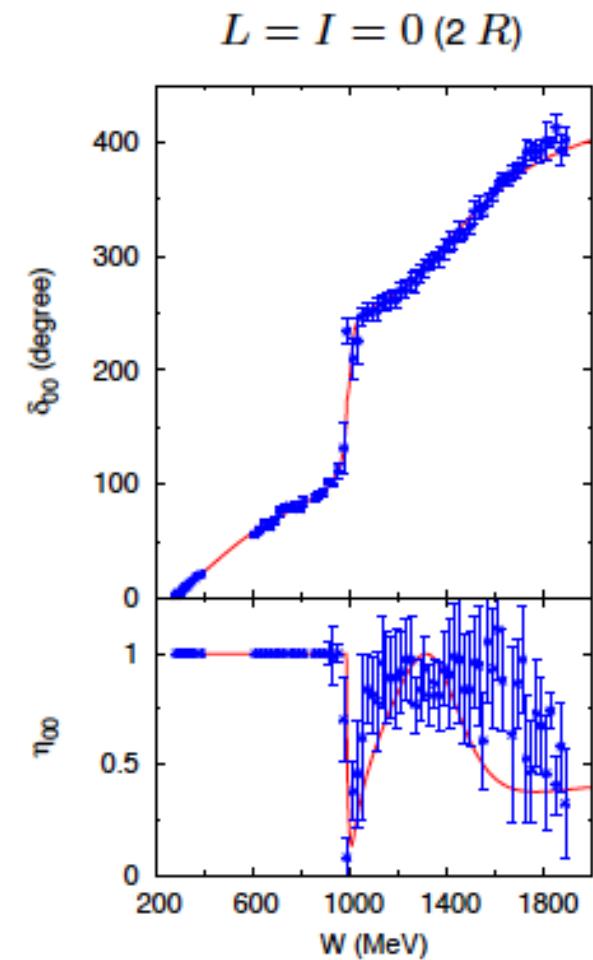
$$E_{\pi\pi}(q) = 2\sqrt{m_\pi^2 + q^2} \quad (i, j, k = \pi\pi, K\bar{K})$$

$$V_{i,j}^{LI}(p', p; W) = \sum_R f_{R,i}^{LI}(p') \frac{1}{W - m_R} f_{R,j}^{LI}(p)$$

$$f_{R,i}^{LI}(p) = \frac{g_{R,i}}{\sqrt{m_\pi}} \frac{1}{(1 + (c_{R,i}p)^2)} \left(\frac{p}{m_\pi}\right)^L$$



## Phase and inelasticity of $\pi\pi$ amplitude



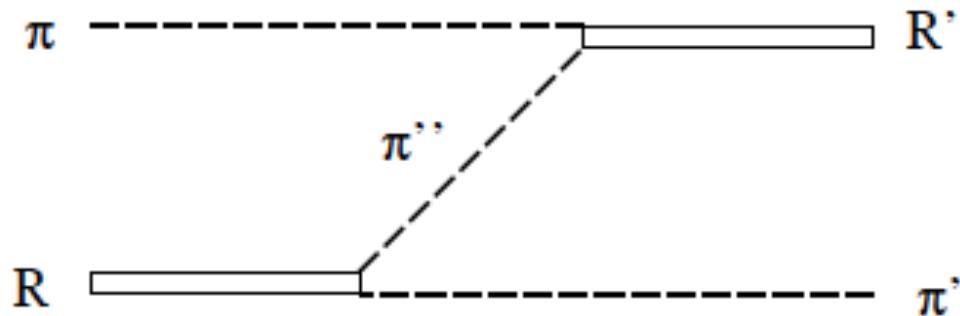
[Data: Gayer et al. (1974); Hyams et al. (1973); Batley et al. (2008)]

## Pole positions in $\pi\pi$ amplitude

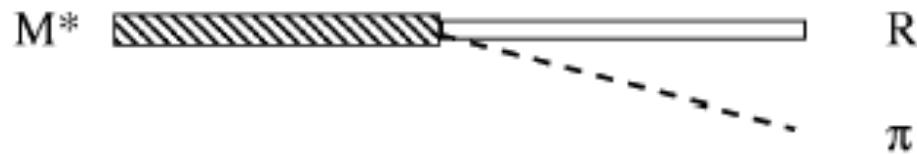
	$\text{Re}[M_R]$ (MeV)		$-\text{Im}[M_R]$ (MeV)	
	Ours	PDG	Ours	PDG
$f_0$ (600)	430	400 – 1200	270	250 – 500
$f_0$ (980)	1000	$980 \pm 10$	9	20 – 50
$f_0$ (1370)	1350	1200 – 1500	170	150 – 250
$\rho$ (760)	770	$775.5 \pm 0.3$	81	$74.5 \pm 0.4$
$\rho$ (1700)	1610	1550 – 1780	120	80 – 300
$f_2$ (1270)	1250	$1275 \pm 1.2$	100	$92.5 \pm 1.3$

## Quasi two-particle ( $\pi R$ ) interaction

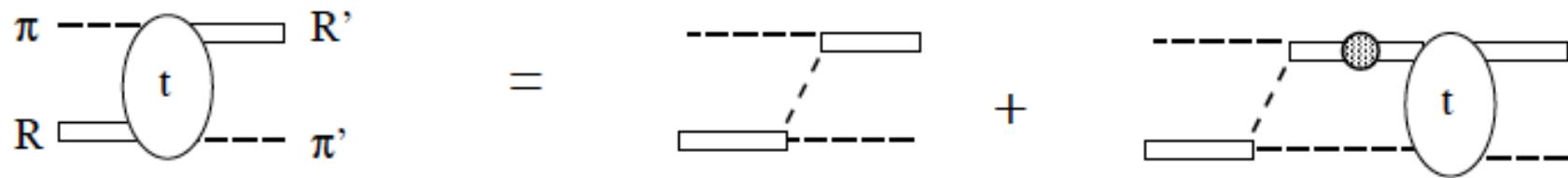
3  $\pi$  Z-graph



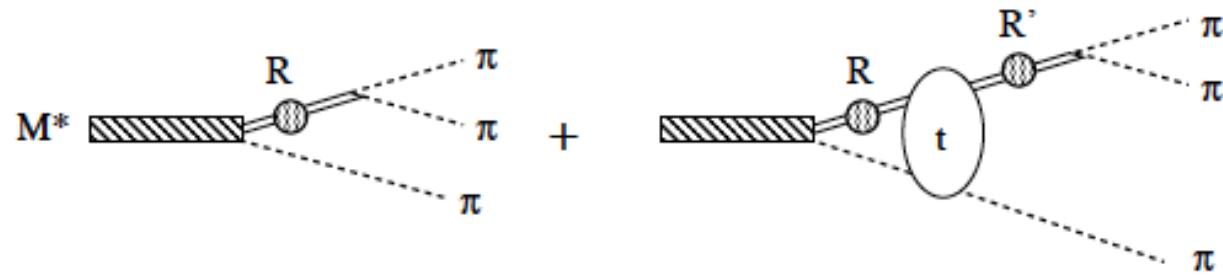
$M^*$  graph



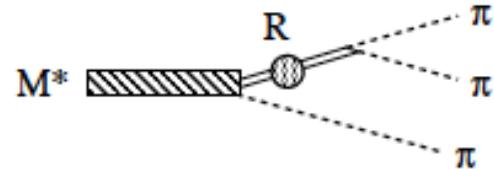
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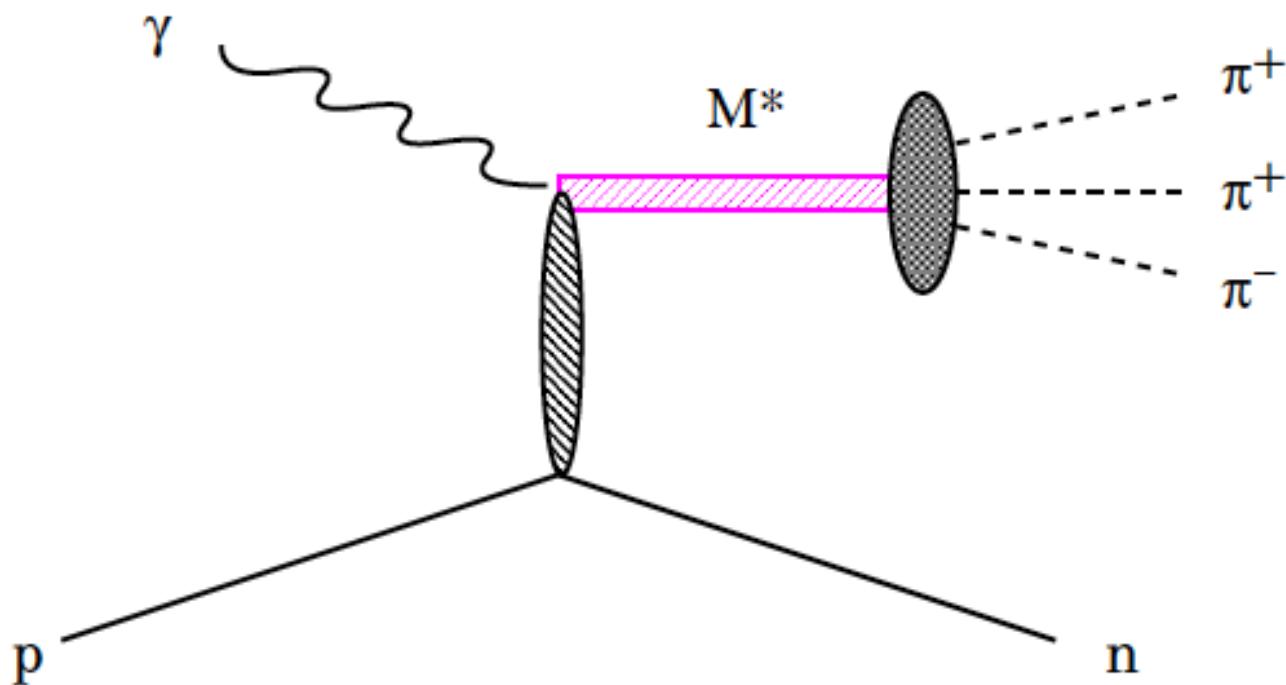
## $M^*$ decay amplitude (unitary model)



## $M^*$ decay amplitude (isobar model)



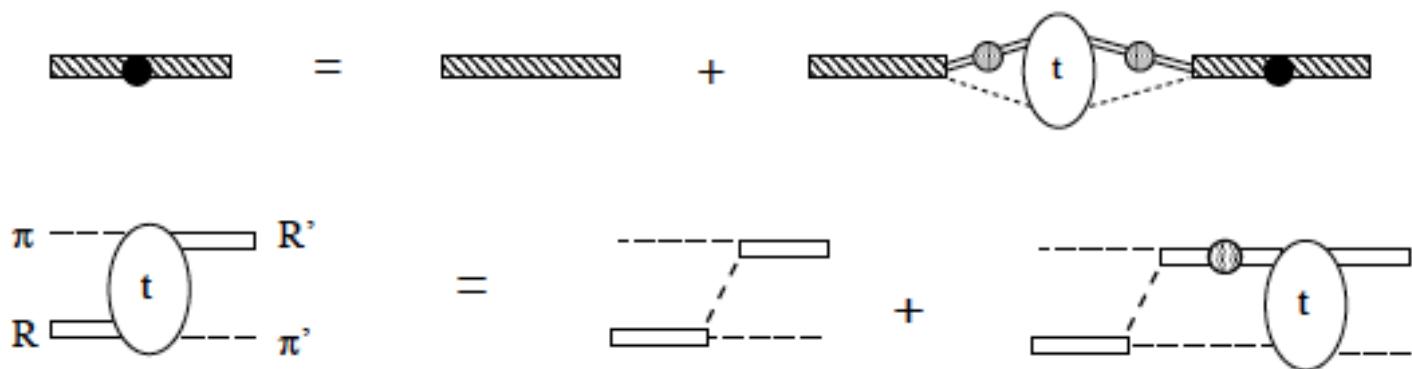
## Case Study : $\gamma p \rightarrow M^* n \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^- n$ (CLAS 6, GlueX)



Nakamura, Kamano, Sato, Lee, in preparation

How 3-body unitary makes a difference in extracting  $M^*$  properties from data ?

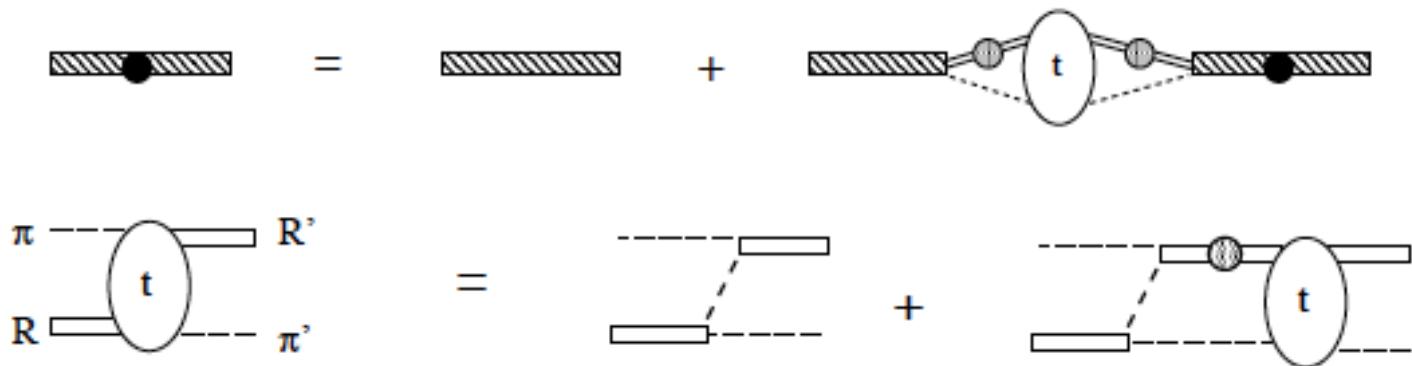
## $M^*$ propagator (unitary model)



$$G^{-1}(W) = W - M_{M^*}^0 - \Sigma_{M^*}(W)$$

3-body unitarity requires consistency with  $M^*$  decay amplitude

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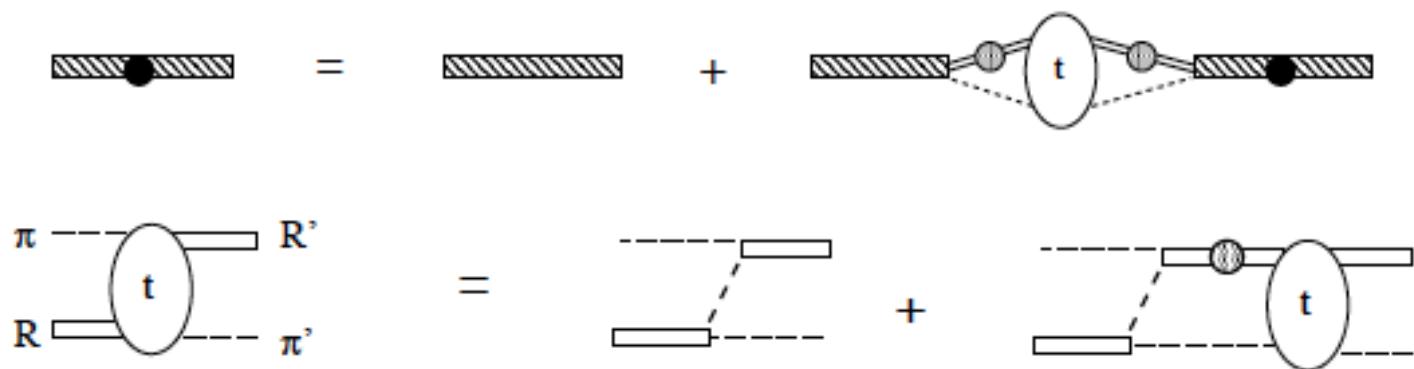


$$G^{-1}(W) = W - M_{M^*}^0 - \Sigma_{M^*}(W)$$

Pole position :  $M_R \Rightarrow G^{-1}(M_R) = 0$

Solved with analytic continuation to the unphysical Riemann sheet

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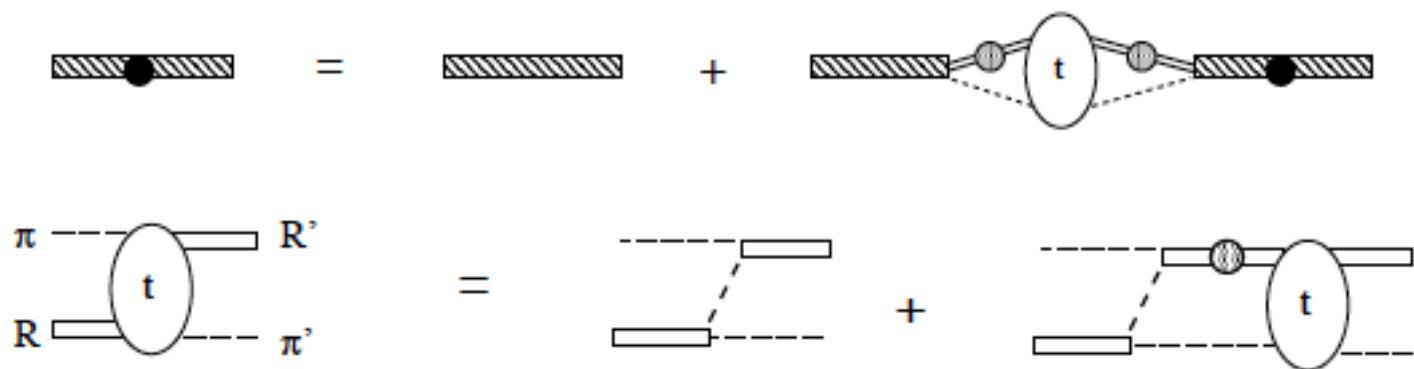
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## $M^*$ propagator (isobar model)

Breit-Wigner :  $G^{-1}(W) = W - M_{M^*} - i \frac{\Gamma(W)}{2}$

but any phenomenological parametrization should be fine ...

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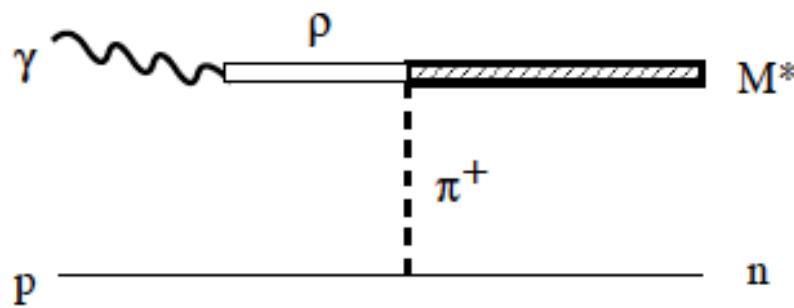
This work :

$$G^{-1}(W) = W - M_{M^*}^0 - \Sigma_{M^*}(W) - \Delta M_{M^*}^0$$

↑  
complex constant

Pole position :  $M_R(\text{isobar}) \sim M_R(\text{unitary}) + \Delta M_{M^*}^0$

## Production amplitude



Simple assumptions :

- \*  $t$ -channel  $\pi$ -exchange
- \* vector-dominance of  $\gamma\pi M^*$  coupling

Not realistic but good enough

interested in effect of 3-body unitarity implemented in  $M^*$  propagation and decay

## Kinematics

[cf. CLAS 6, PRL 102, 102002 (2009)]

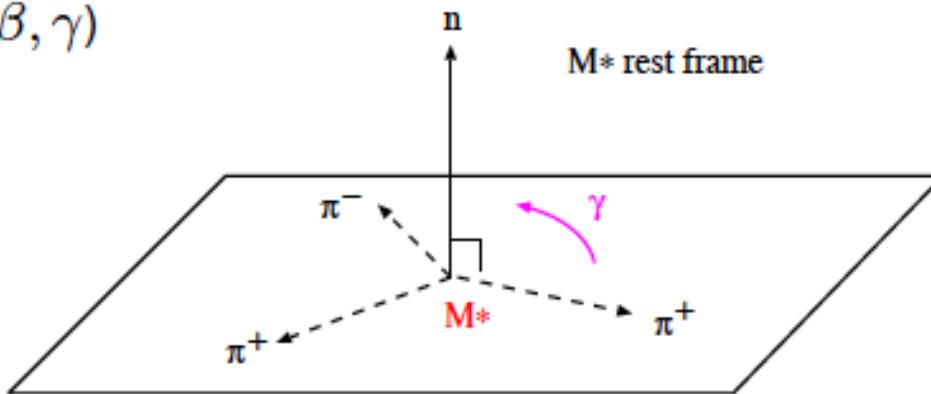
\*  $E_\gamma = 5 \text{ GeV}$

\*  $t = -0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$

\*  $0.8 \text{ GeV} \leq W \leq 2 \text{ GeV}$  ;  $W$  : 3  $\pi$  invariant mass

\* 3  $\pi$  orientation

(Euler angles :  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ )



$\alpha, \beta$  fixed ;  $0 \leq \gamma \leq 2\pi$  Dalitz plot depends on  $\gamma$

$\Leftarrow$  Photon excites a polarized  $M^*$  that decays to a certain  $\gamma$  more often

## Procedure

1. Determine parameters of unitary model with reasonable input
2. Generate *mock data* with the unitary model
3. Fit the data with isobar model
4. Compare  $M^*$  properties from the two models

## Partial wave, $M^*$ 's in unitary model

[cf. CLAS 6, PRL 102, 102002 (2009)]

$J^{PC}$	$M^*$
$1^{++}$	$a_1(1230)$ , $a_1(1700)$
$2^{++}$	$a_2(1320)$ , $a_2(1700)$
$2^{-+}$	$\pi_2(1670)$ , $\pi_2(1800)$
$1^{-+}$	$\pi_1(1600)$

## Determination of $M^*$ parameters for unitary model

- \*  $M^*$  bare mass
- \*  $M^* \rightarrow \pi R$  bare coupling and cutoff

${}^3P_0$ model	Barnes et al., PRD 55, 4157 (1997)
Flux-tube model for $\pi_1(1600)$	Isgur et al., PRL 54, 869 (1985)

- Partial width  $\Rightarrow$  coupling
- Cutoff is set to 1 GeV

$J^{PC}$	decay modes		$\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}$	$\Gamma_{\text{hybrid}}$
$1^{++}$	$a_1(1230) \rightarrow$	$\pi\rho(770)$	540.	-
	$a_1(1700) \rightarrow$	$\pi f_0(1300)$	2.	6.
		$\pi\rho(770)$	57.	30.
		$\pi\rho(1465)$	41.	0.
		$\pi f_2(1275)$	39.	70.
$2^{++}$	$a_2(1318) \rightarrow$	$\pi\rho(770)$	55.	-
	$a_2(1700) \rightarrow$	$\pi\rho(770)$	104.	-
		$\pi f_2(1275)$	20.	-
$2^{-+}$	$\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow$	$\pi\rho(770)$	118.	-
		$\pi f_2(1275)$	75.	-
	$\pi_2(1800) \rightarrow$	$\pi f_0(1300)$	1.	1.
		$\pi\rho(770)$	162.	8.
		$\pi f_2(1275)$	86.	50.
$1^{-+}$	$\pi_1(1600) \rightarrow$	$\pi\rho(770)$	-	8.

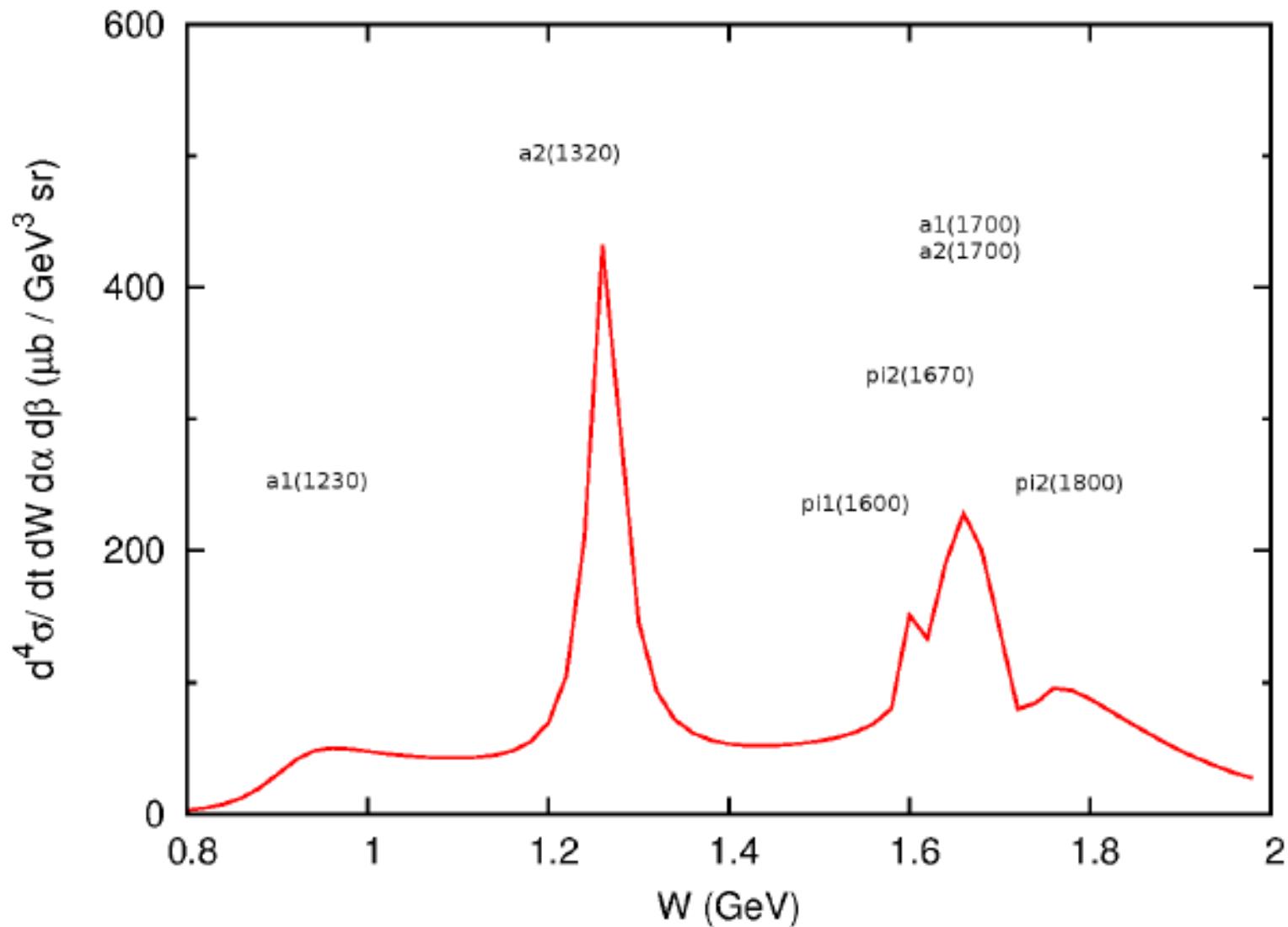
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Difference between  $\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}$  and  $\Gamma_{\text{hybrid}}$

⇒ Coupling strength to decay channel is a key information  
to understand the nature of hadron structure

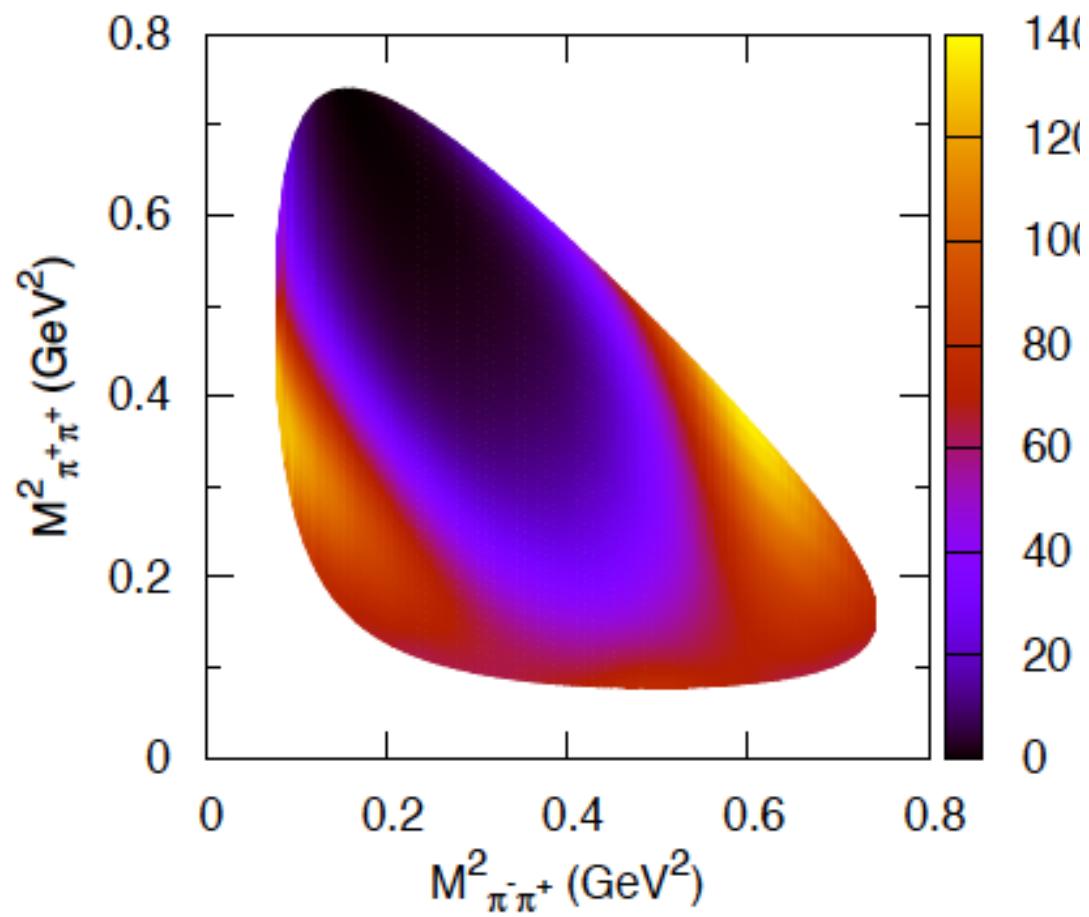
We use  $\Gamma_{q\bar{q}}$  except for  $\pi_1(1600)$

## $W$ -dependence of integrated Dalitz plots from unitary model



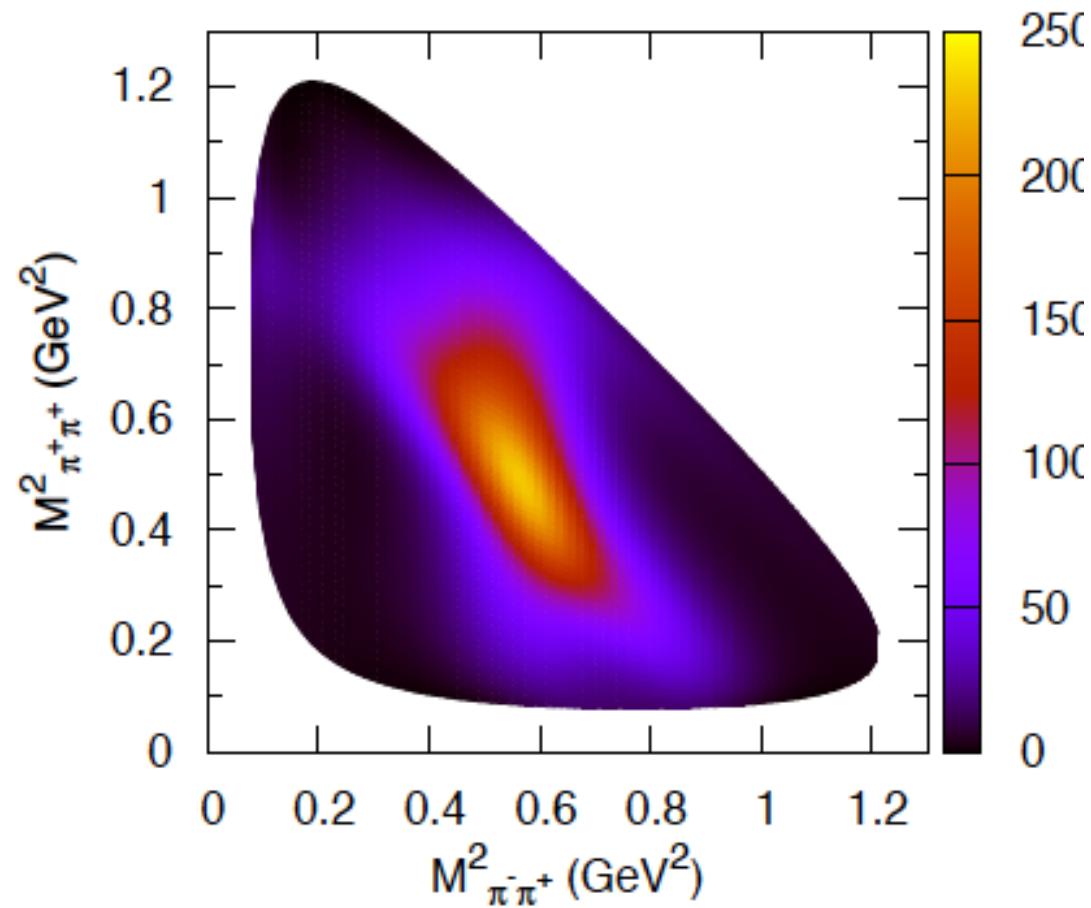
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$W = 1 \text{ GeV}$  near  $a_1(1230)$  peak



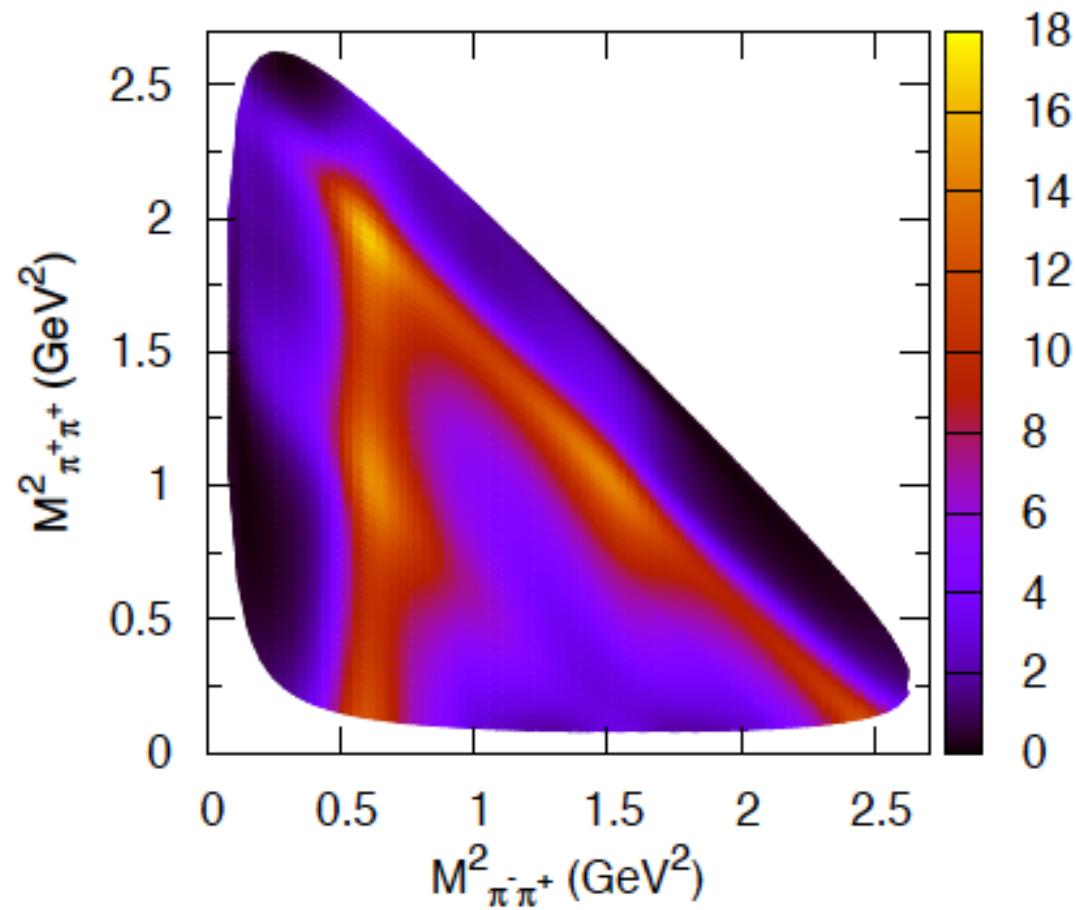
## Dalitz plot from unitary model

$W = 1.24 \text{ GeV}$  near  $a_2(1320)$  peak



## Dalitz plot from unitary model

$W = 1.76 \text{ GeV}$  near  $\pi_2(1800)$  peak



## Fit with isobar model

Error :

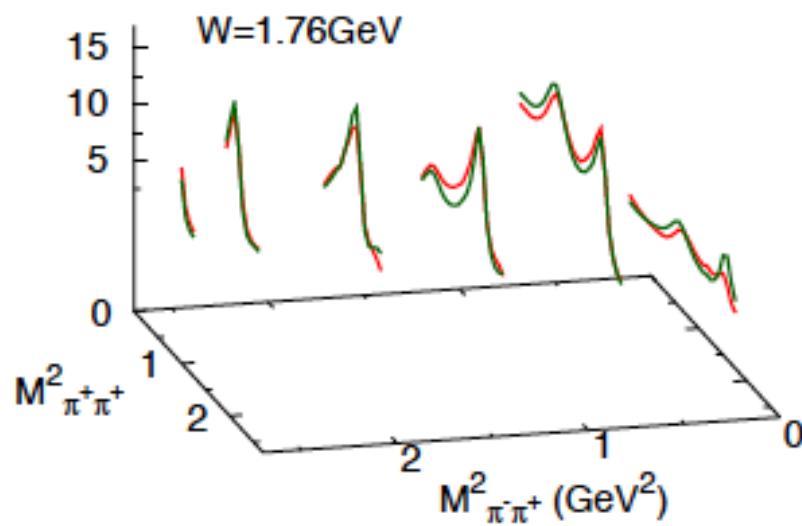
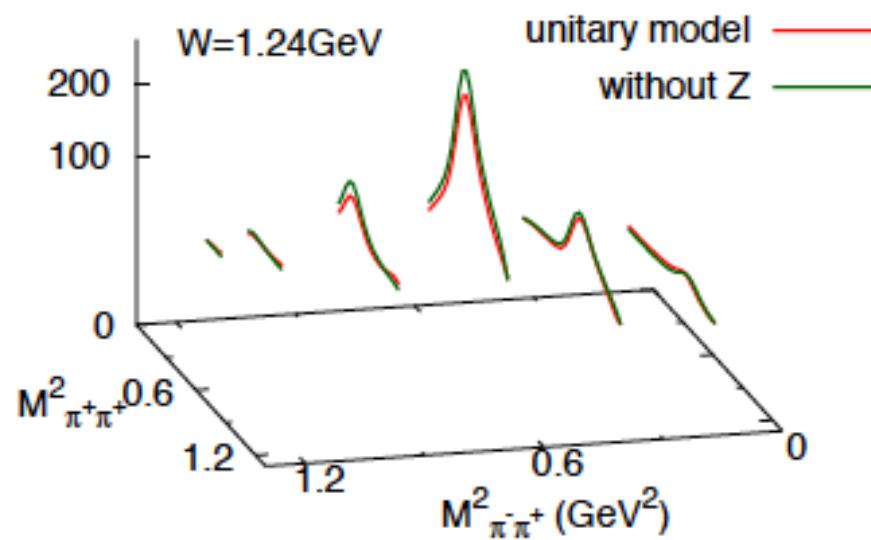
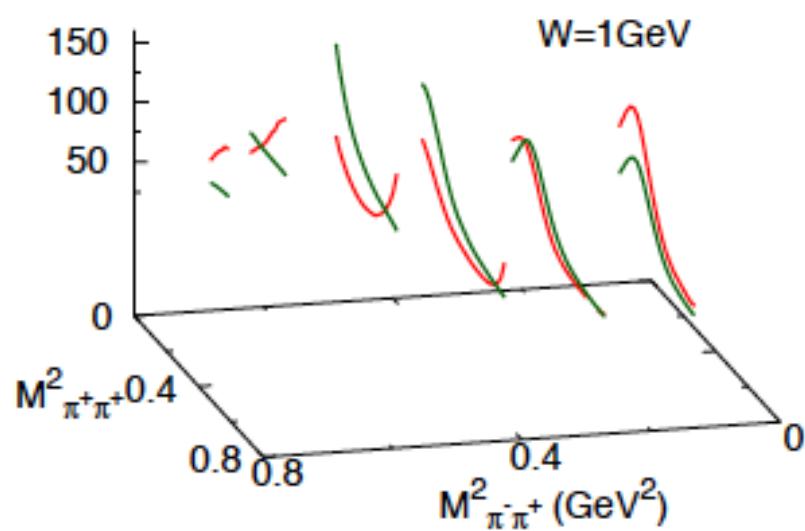
- Data for the same  $W$  have the same error
- At each  $W$ , the error is assigned by 5% of the highest peak

Fit :

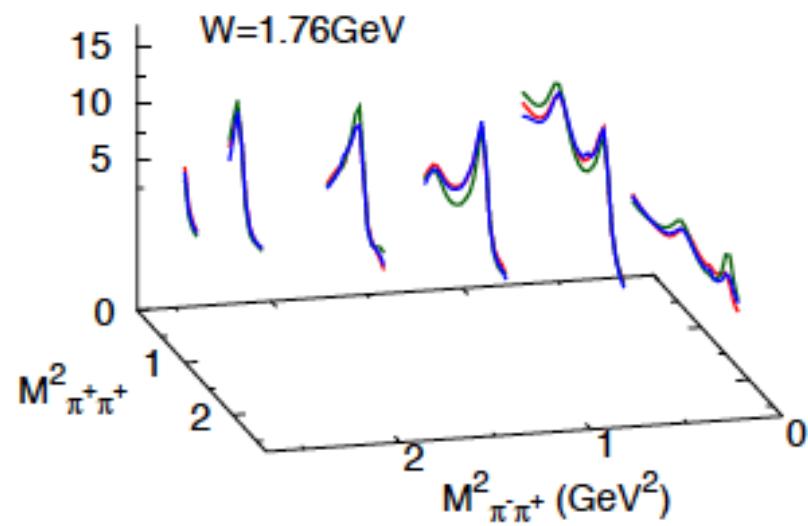
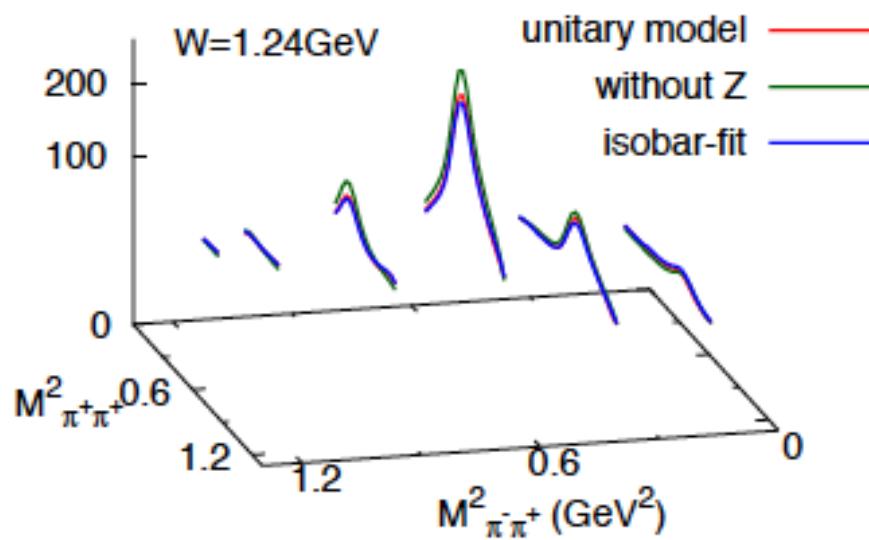
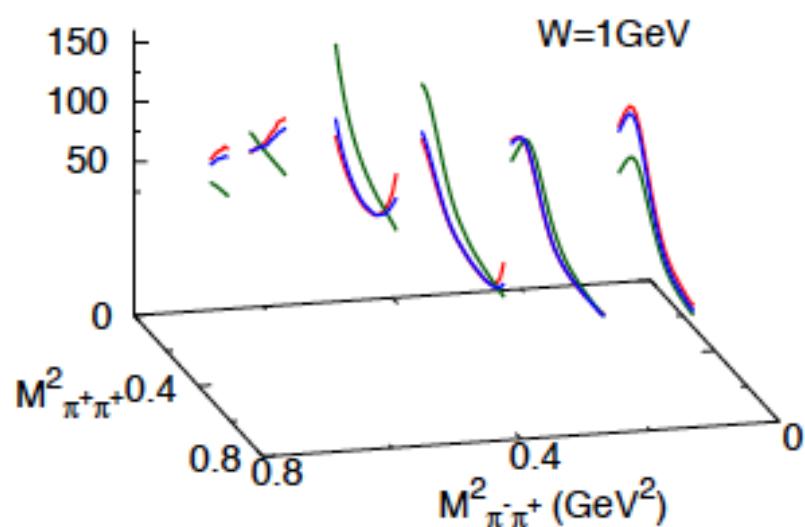
1. Fit with real couplings of  $M^* \rightarrow \pi R$
2. Allow couplings complex
3. Include  $W$ -dependent flat non-interfering background  
(2, 3 are common in isobar-model analysis)

$\chi^2 / (\# \text{ of data}) < 0.5$  is achieved

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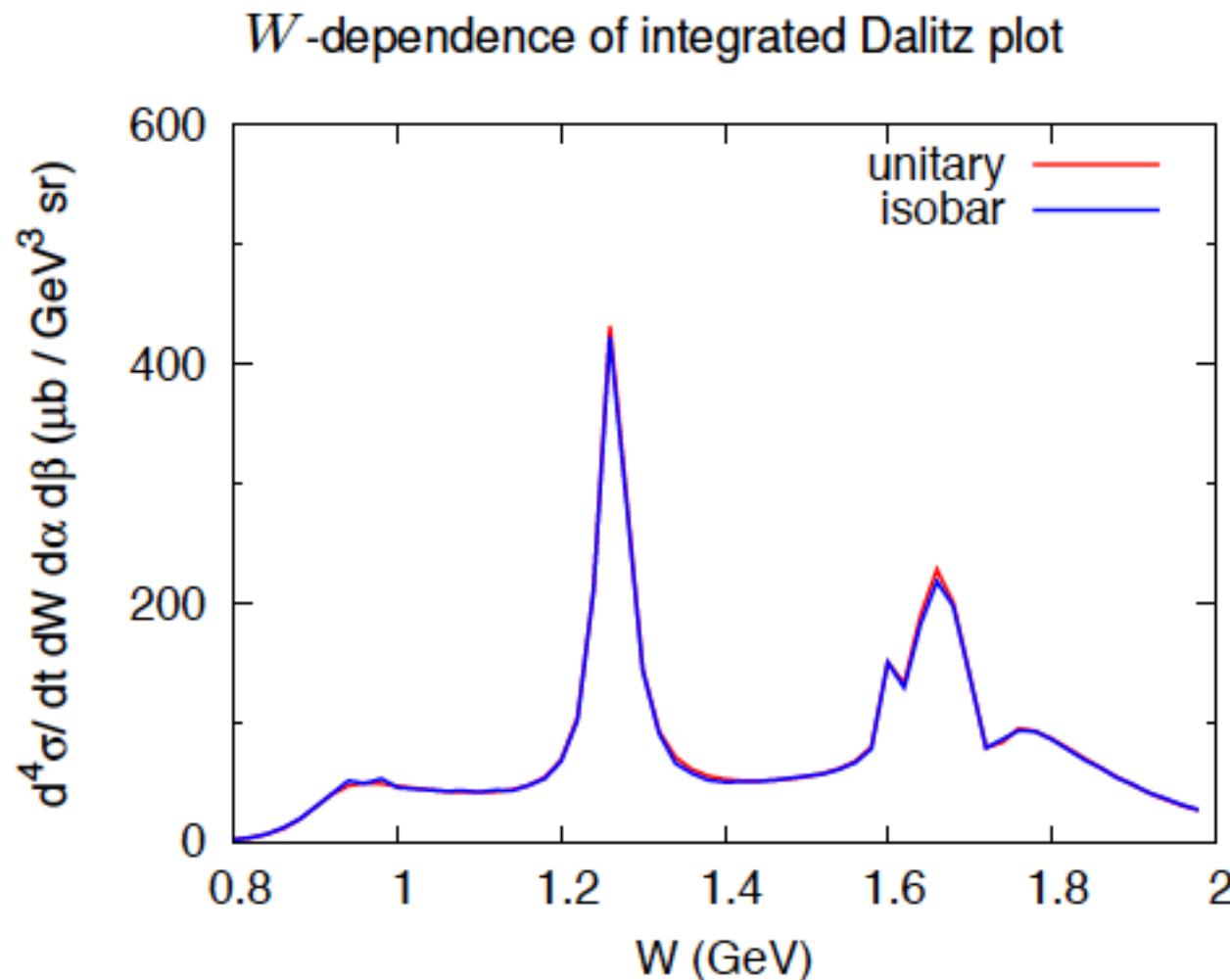


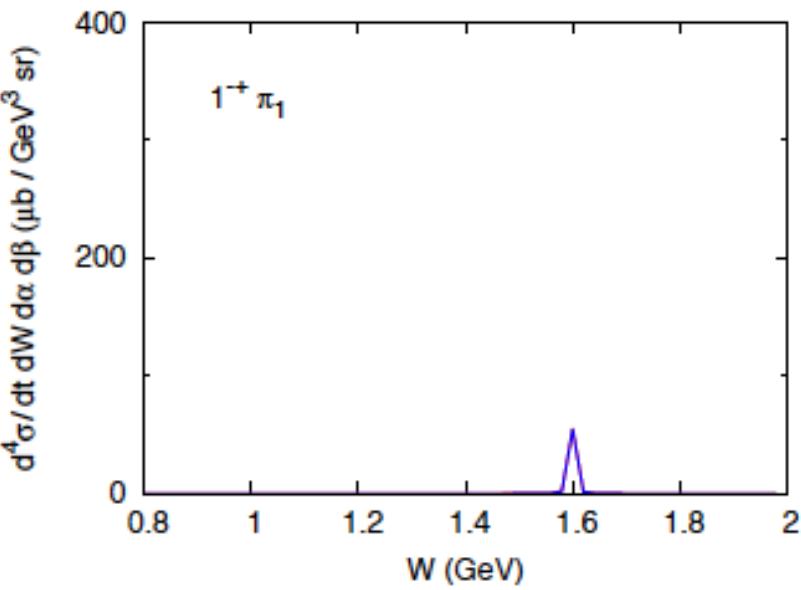
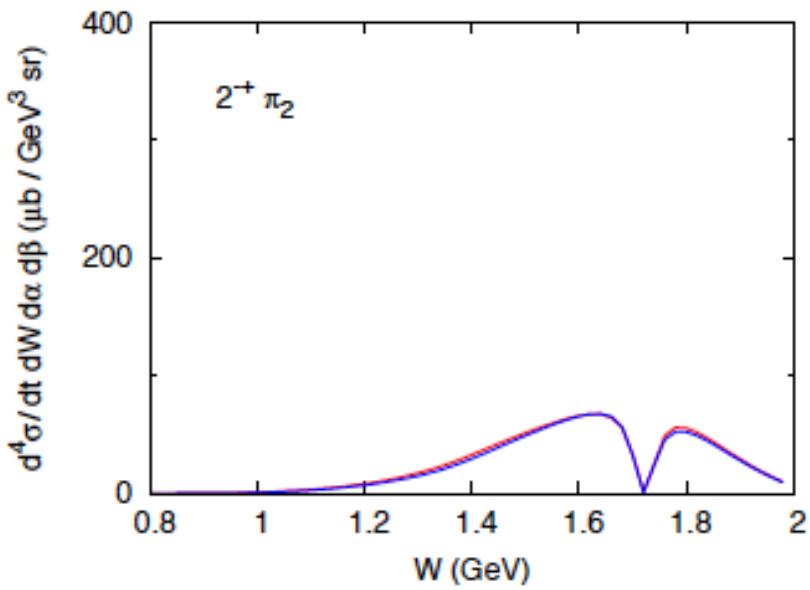
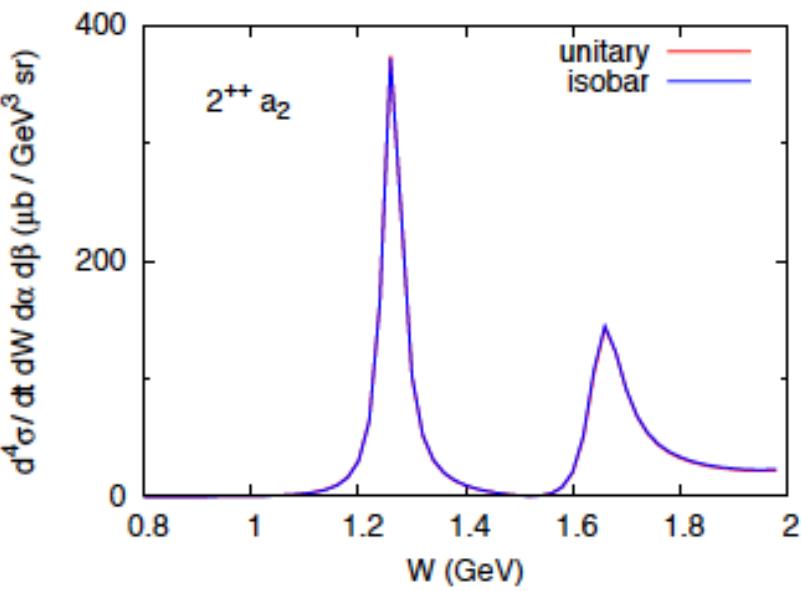
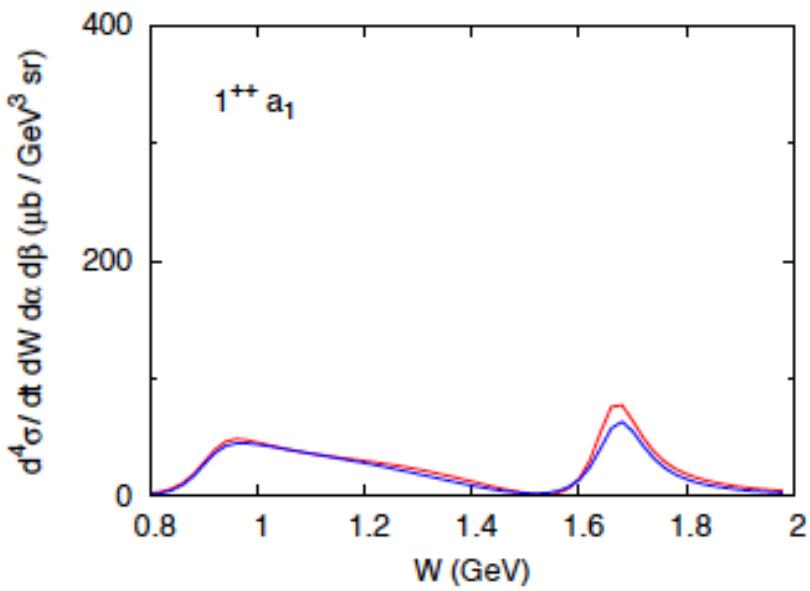
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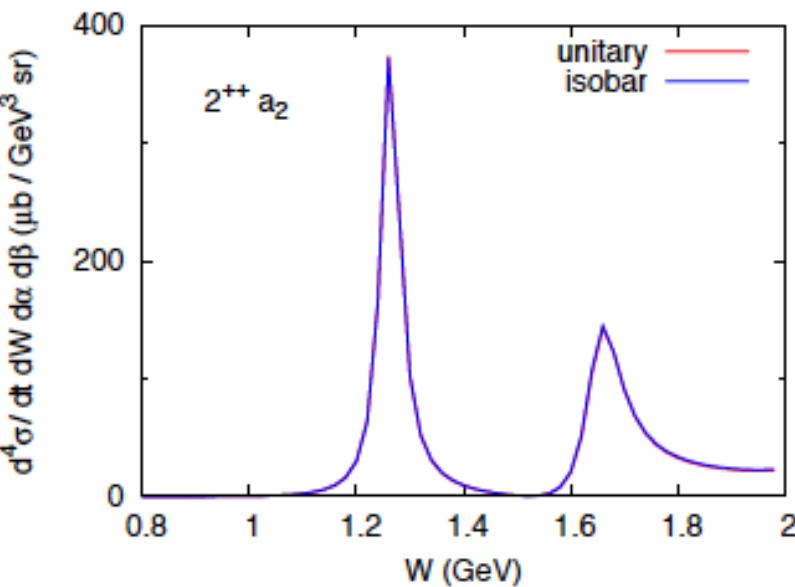
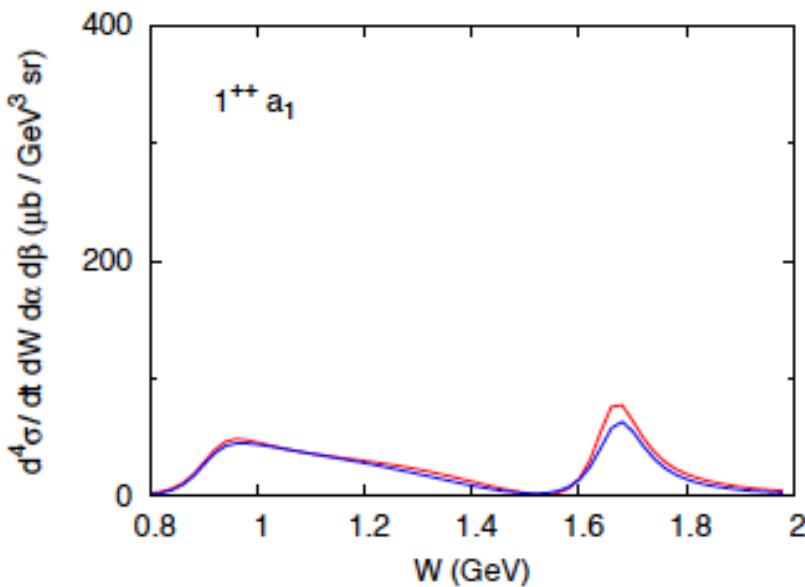


## Question I didn't explicitly ask

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**Q :** *Can isobar model extract partial wave amplitudes of the unitary model ?*

**A :** To a good extent, yes.

### Comments

- Not so in kinematics where a partial wave amplitude plays a minor role
- Analyzing polarized observables may have helped

## $M^*$ pole positions

$\Delta M_{M^*}^0$  (MeV) : pole position shift in the isobar model

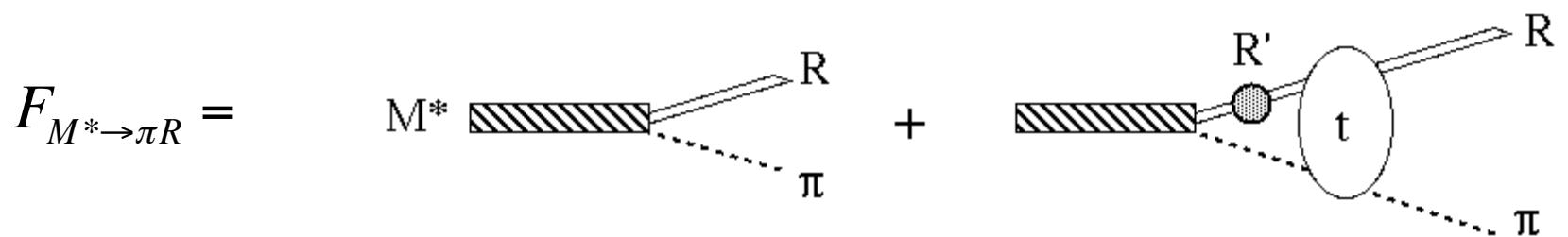
$$G^{-1}(W) = W - M_{M^*}^0 - \Sigma_{M^*}(W) - \Delta M_{M^*}^0$$

$a_1(1260)$	$a_1(1700)$	$a_2(1320)$	$a_2(1700)$
$-22.37 - 23.21i$	$8.48 - 4.46i$	$0.15 - 0.04i$	$-1.03 - 0.30i$
$\pi_2(1670)$	$\pi_2(1800)$	$\pi_1(1600)$	
$-0.51 + 0.38i$	$-3.07 - 3.42i$	$0.57 + 0.33i$	

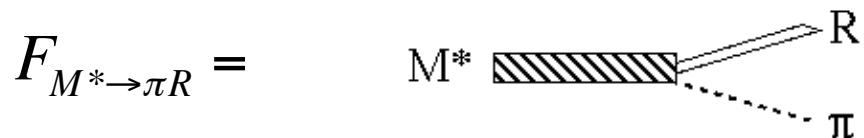
Here, 3-body unitarity effect is moderate

# Coupling strength to decay channels

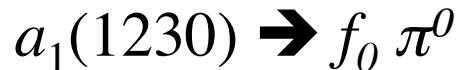
Unitary model



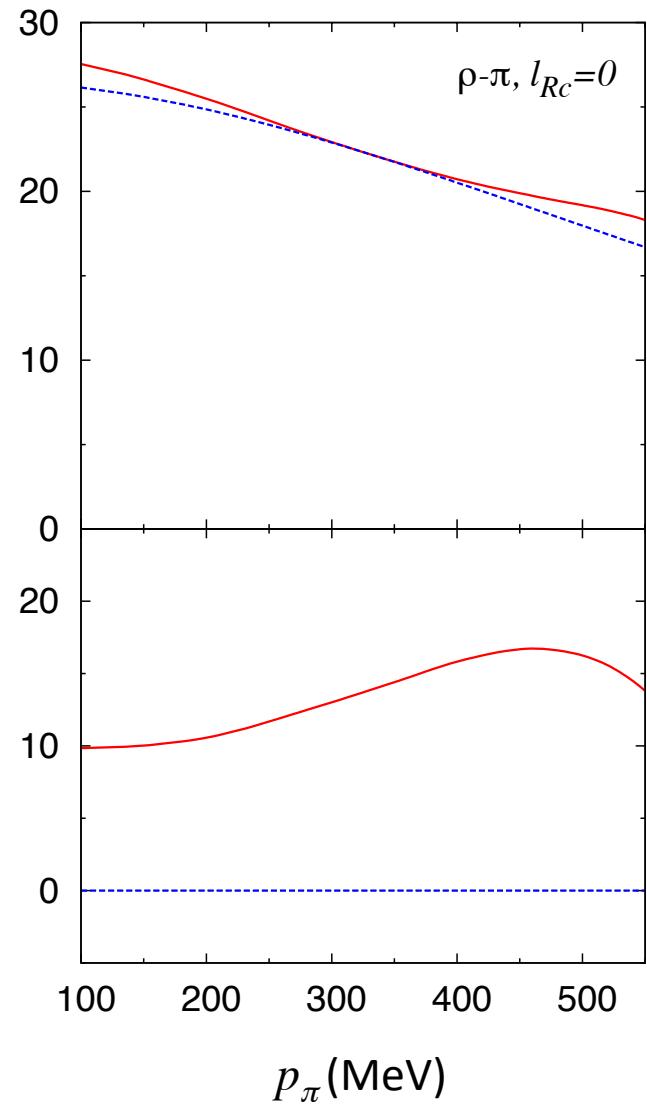
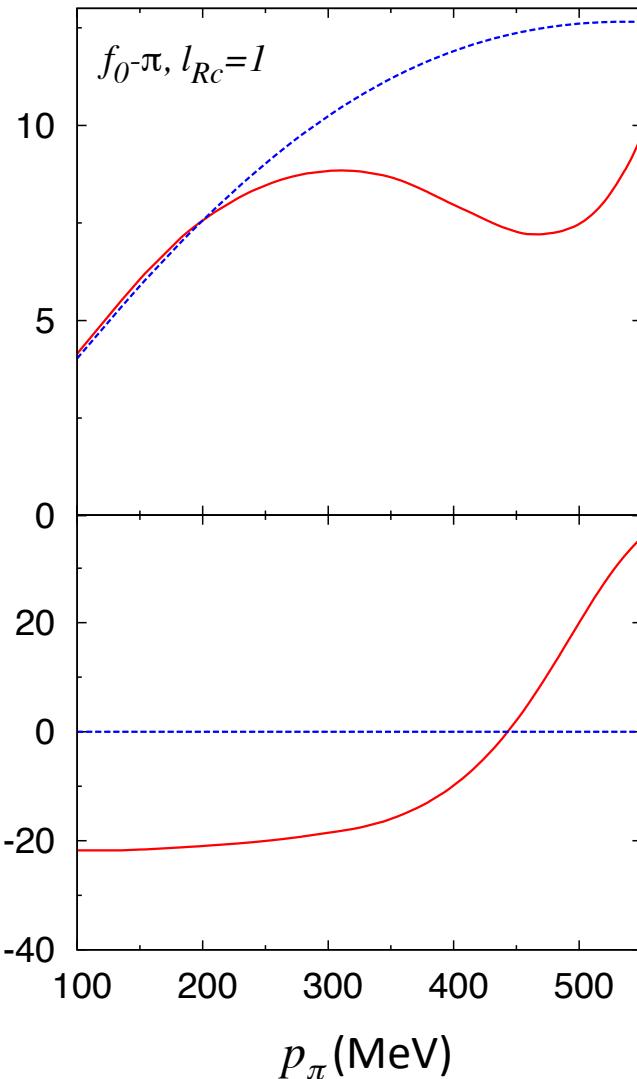
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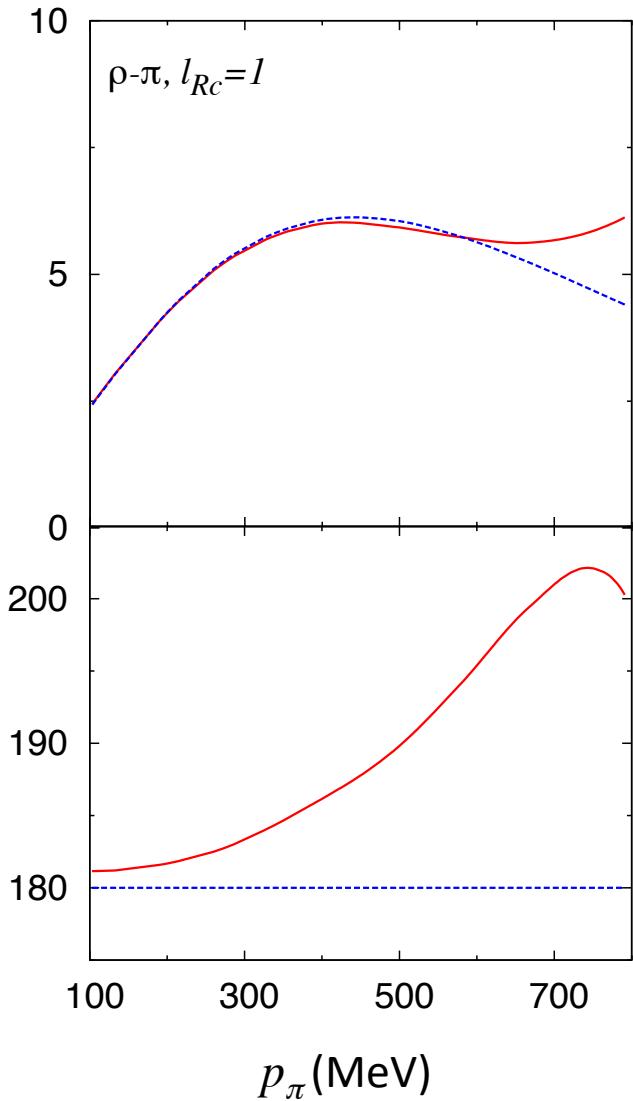
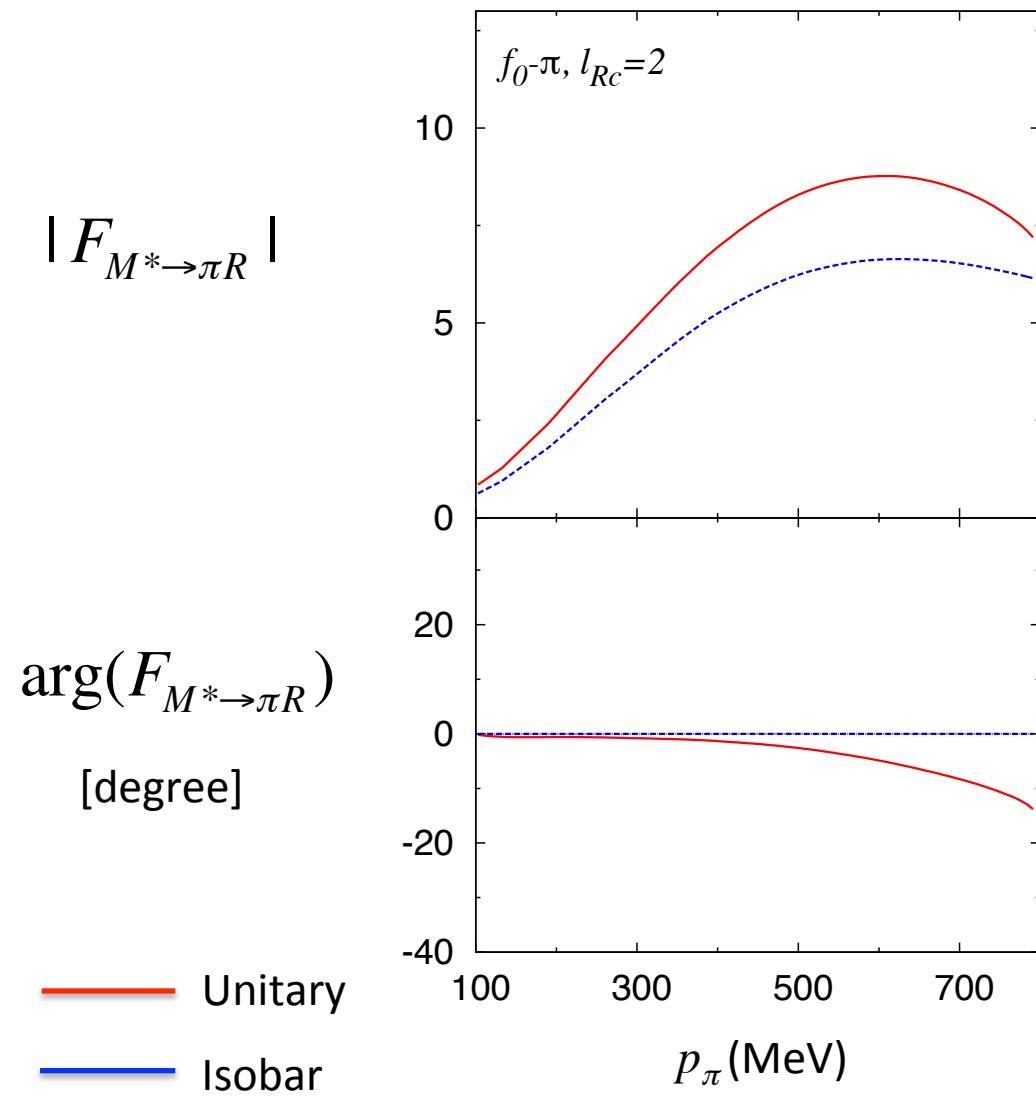
$|F_{M^* \rightarrow \pi R}|$



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$\pi_2(1670) \rightarrow f_0 \pi^0$

$\rightarrow \rho \pi$



## Bare Couplings of $a_1(1260)$ to decay channels

		Unitary	Isobar
$a_1(1260)$	$\rightarrow \pi f_0(1300)$	-	$- 2.0 + 8.2 i$
	$\rightarrow \pi f_0(2400)$	-	$7.5 - 2.3 i$
	$\rightarrow \pi\rho(770)$	24.6	$31.9 - 3.7 i$
	$\rightarrow \pi\rho(1700)$	-	$11.0 + 5.2 i$
	$\rightarrow \pi f_2(1270)$	-	$- 2.7 + 4.4 i$

Rather large change in  $M^*$  couplings to decay channels

$\Leftarrow$  Large Z-graph effect in  $a_1(1260)$  region

## Bare Couplings of $a_2(1320)$ to decay channels

		Unitary	Isobar
$a_2(1320)$	$\rightarrow \pi\rho(770)$	1.0	$0.9 - 0.1 i$
	$\rightarrow \pi f_2(1270)$	-	$1.4 - 0.1 i$

Still rather large change in  $M^*$  couplings to decay channels

even though Z-graph effect on Dalitz plot in  $a_2(1320)$  region seems moderate

## Conclusion

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## Method

1. Construct a **unitary** and an **isobar** models
2. Fit them to the same Dalitz plot
3. Extract and compare  $M^*$  properties from them

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*Key information to understand the hadron structure*

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**Q :** What about pole position ?

**A :** Moderate. Sometimes non-negligible.